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INITIAL STATEMENT OF BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * Carroll Michael D.			2. Date of Event Requiri Statement (Month/Day/Year)		3. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol BERKSHIRE HILLS BANCORP INC [BHLB]			
(Last)	(First)	(Middle)	10/22/2015		4. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer		5. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)	
24 NORTH STREET				(Checl)		
	(Street)			· ·		6. Individual or Joint/Group		
PITTSFIELD, MA 01201				_X_ Officer (give title belo	Director 10% Owner X Officer Other (give title below) (specify below) Executive Vice President		Filing(Check Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting Person	
(City)	(State)	(Zip)	Table I	- Non-Deriva	n-Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned			
1.Title of Security (Instr. 4)				2. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned (Instr. 4)		4. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 5)		
Common St	ock		3,531		D	Â		
Common Stock			9,122	9,122		By 401(k)		
Common Stock			2,332		I	By Stock Award I (1)		
Common Stock			5,934		I	By Stock Award II (2)		
Common Stock			1,587		I	By Stock Award III (3)		
Common St	ock		2,507		I	By S	Stock Award IV (4)	
Reminder: Rep owned directly	ach class of securities bene		SEC 1473 (7-02	2)				
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Table II - Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)

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1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 4)

2. Date Exercisable and 3. Title and Amount of **Expiration Date** (Month/Day/Year)

Securities Underlying **Derivative Security** (Instr. 4)

Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security

5. Ownership Form of Derivative Security:

Direct (D)

or Indirect

6. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 5)

Expiration Date Exercisable Date

Amount or Title Number of Shares

(I) (Instr. 5)

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address

Relationships

Director 10% Owner Officer

Other

Carroll Michael D.

24 NORTH STREET PITTSFIELD, MAÂ 01201

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Executive Vice President Â

Signatures

/s/ Marc P. Levy, pursuant to power of attorney

10/30/2015

**Signature of Reporting Person

Date

Explanation of Responses:

- If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, see Instruction 5(b)(v).
- Intentional misstatements or omissions of facts constitute Federal Criminal Violations. See 18 U.S.C. 1001 and 15 U.S.C. 78ff(a).
- Stock Awards granted pursuant to the Berkshire Hills Bancorp, Inc. 2011 Equity Compensation Plan vest 50% in four equal annual **(1)** installments commencing on January 30, 2014 with the remaining 50% vesting on January 30, 2017.
- (2) Stock Awards granted pursuant to the Berkshire Hills Bancorp, Inc. 2011 Equity Compensation Plan vest on October 1, 2016.
- Stock Awards granted pursuant to the Berkshire Hills Bancorp, Inc. 2013 Equity Compensation Plan vest 50% in three equal annual installments commencing on July 1, 2015 with the remaining 50% vesting on July 1, 2017.
- Stock Awards granted pursuant to the Berkshire Hills Bancorp, Inc. 2013 Equity Compensation Plan vest 50% in three equal annual installments commencing on April 1, 2016 with the remaining 50% vesting on April 1, 2018.

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